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Burg et al.

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SIGNALING
PRESENCE OF USERS IN A MULTI-
NETWORKED ENVIRONMENT

Examiner: Olisa Anwah

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed October 21, 2005, the Examiner rejects claims 43-49, 51-56, 58, and 59 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,678,366 ("Burger"); rejects claim 50 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Burger; and rejects claims 57 and 60 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Burger in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0005412 ("Light"). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

In rejecting certain elements of applicants' independent claims, the Examiner repeatedly refers to a process described in Burger in which a telephone call manager module 114 determines whether there is a valid best guess location (BGL) that can be